

§ 8123. DEFINITIONS

(2) “Clean heat credit” means a tradeable, nontangible commodity that represents the amount of greenhouse gas reduction attributable to a clean heat measure. Clean heat credits created as part of an Energy Transformation project as defined in 30 V.S.A. §8002(28) shall be independent from and shall not impact the quantity of MWH equivalent calculated under 30 V.S.A §8005(a)(3)(D). The Commission shall establish a system of management for clean heat credits pursuant to this chapter.

§ 8125. TRADEABLE CLEAN HEAT CREDITS

(c) List of eligible measures. Eligible clean heat measures delivered to or installed in Vermont shall include:

- (1) thermal energy efficiency improvements and weatherization;
- (2) cold-climate air, ground source, and other heat pumps, including district, network, grid, microgrid, and building geothermal systems
- (3) heat pump water heaters;
- (4) controlled electric water heaters
- (5) solar hot water systems
- (6) electric appliances providing thermal end uses
- (7) ~~renewable electricity systems paired with heat pumps or electric appliances providing thermal end uses, including on-site and community-scale renewable electricity systems;~~

(j) Credit eligibility. All eligible clean heat measures that are delivered in Vermont shall be eligible for clean heat credits and may be retired and count towards an obligated party’s emission reduction obligations, regardless of who creates or delivers them and regardless of whether their creation or delivery was required by other State policies and programs. This includes individual initiatives, emission reductions resulting from the State’s energy efficiency programs, the low-income weatherization program, and the Renewable Energy Standard Tier 3 program. When an electric distribution utility provides a Renewable Energy Standard Tier 3 incentive for an eligible clean heat measure, the associated clean heat credit shall be assigned to the electric distribution utility. Nothing in this section requires an electric distribution utility to sell or transfer clean heat credits created from a Tier 3 project to an obligated party.